

# PARADUXX

NAPA VALLEY

## 2014 NAPA VALLEY X<sup>2</sup>

### Square vb 1: to multiply by itself 2: raise to the second power 3: to balance

Since 1994, Paraduxx has set the standard for stylish Napa Valley blends. Crafted for the modern palate, these visionary wines have established a reputation for their boldness, character and complexity. Building on this innovative history, X<sup>2</sup> represents an exponential expression of our Paraduxx style, and the pinnacle of our portfolio. A block and barrel selection of our finest estate grapes, it balances the depth and structure of mountain grapes with the lush vibrancy of valley floor fruit.

### In The Vineyards

The 2014 growing season was our third exceptional vintage in a row, and one of our earliest harvests on record, with our final grapes arriving at the winery on October 14 - almost two weeks earlier than normal. Though the vintage presented drought conditions, perfectly timed spring rains were just what the vines needed to set an excellent crop. After an early budbreak, ideal summer weather allowed us to harvest all of our varieties at optimum ripeness, resulting in wines with alluring aromatics and beautiful fruit complexity.

### Sensory Profile

- This wine offers gorgeous aromas of dark cherry and black currant, as well as nuanced hints of cardamom, nutmeg, sandalwood and sweet oak spice.
- On the palate, it strikes an impeccable balance between firm, rich tannins and voluptuous fruit, with concentrated layers of blackberry and brambleberry gliding to a luxurious sandalwood and spice finish.

– Winemaker Don LaBorde



### Composition

89% Cabernet Sauvignon, 11% Zinfandel

### Origin

Appellation: Napa Valley

Harvest Dates: August 20 – October 15, 2014

### Winemaking

24 months in oak, 100% French oak

### Production and Technical Data

Average Sugar at Harvest: 26° Brix

Alcohol: 14.5%

0.61 g/ml titratable acidity

pH: 3.79

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